Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Friday 09 Dec 2022 until 23:59 on Saturday 10 Dec 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 08 Dec 2022 at 16:00 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for the cold weather to continue. Medium for cloud and snow shower detail.

Headline for Friday 09 Dec 2022: Southern areas should stay dry with some sunny spells. Occasional snow showers in the north. Fresh to strong northerly winds and bitterly cold at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 09 Dec 2022

Blizzards
Low Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light snow showers (night)	Light snow showers (night)	Cloudy	Cloudy	Sunny intervals	Sunny intervals	Heavy snow showers (night)	Heavy snow showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
30%	30%	20%	20%	20%	20%	50%	50%

Forecast for Friday 09 Dec 2022

Weather: The Aberdeenshire Hills will have occasional snow showers, some on the heavy side at first and in the evening with a small risk of lightning, but some drier spells during the day. A few lighter showers will reach the Angus and north Perthshire hills but with some sunny or clear interludes. Southern Perthshire and the Ochils will be mainly dry, just the chance of a light snow shower in the early hours then the day looks dry with some good sunny spells.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in north, 80% in south.

Low Cloud and visibility: Areas of low cloud to 600-800m in the north, lower patches near snow showers, especially Aberdeenshire with very poor visibility in cloud and in heavier snow showers, and any summit drifting. Generally good otherwise.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	27/33 W	26/31 NW	26/31 NW	23/28 W	18/23 NW	18/21 NW	18/22 NW	18/23 NW	20/24 NW
900	20/26 W	17/22 NW	17/22 NW	14/19 W	14/18 NW	10/14 NW	11/16 NW	11/16 NW	12/16 NW
600	15/25 W	11/18 W	11/19 NW	11/19 W	10/15 NW	7/12 NW	6/12 NW	6/13 NW	7/13 NW
300	10/21 W	8/20 NW	8/18 NW	8/20 NW	7/16 NW	5/14 NW	5/14 NW	6/16 NW	7/17 NW
Glen	9/22 W	7/17 W	6/16 W	6/16 W	7/16 NW	5/14 W	5/13 NW	5/14 W	6/16 NW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-6/-16	-6/-15	-6/-15	-6/-15	-6/-14	-6/-14	-6/-14	-6/-14	-6/-14
900	-4/-12	-4/-11	-4/-11	-4/-11	-4/-11	-4/-10	-4/-10	-4/-10	-4/-10
600	-2/-8	-2/-7	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6	-2/-6	-3/-7
300	0/-4	1/-3	1/-3	-0/-4	1/-2	0/-3	-0/-3	-0/-4	-0/-4
Glen	1/-4	1/-2	1/-2	0/-2	2/-2	1/-2	0/-2	0/-2	0/-3
Freezing Level*	200m	300m	300m	200m	300m	200m	200m	200m	200m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Despite modest wind speeds, sub-zero temperatures at most levels will lead to a bitterly cold day.

Forecast for Saturday 10 Dec 2022
Weather: Mostly cloudy with occasional snow showers, some heavy especially over the north. Further accumulations. Some clear or sunny intervals.

Maximum wind: Northeast 20 gusts 30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30%

Low Cloud and visibility: Frequent cloud at 600-750m and lowering to 450m in snow showers. Very poor visibility in cloud and the heavier snow showers, but good away from cloud and in drier spells..

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 Celsius rising to Plus 1 at best.
At 800m: Minus 4 Celsius
Freezing level: All levels

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